

*These notes refer to the Enterprise Act 2002 (c.40)  
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# **ENTERPRISE ACT 2002**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 3: Mergers**

#### **Summary and Background**

#### *Chapter 1: Duty to make references*

#### **Duty to make references: completed mergers**

#### *Section 25: Extension of time-limits*

108. This section allows for the extension of the four-month period in which a merger can be referred in certain circumstances: where the OFT and parties have agreed an extension; where parties have failed to provide information to the OFT as requested; where undertakings are being sought; or where the UK has made a request to the EC under article 22(3) of the ECMR. Where there are multiple extensions, there is provision for the extensions to run concurrently where it is sensible to count the time period in this way.